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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed June 29, 2006, the Applicants respectfully request that the following remarks be made of record in the above-identified application. The claims have been divided into five groups as set forth below:

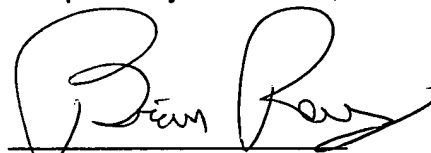
- I. Claims 1-23 and 30-33, drawn to products of the formula (I), classified in class 514, 544, 546 and 548.
- II. Claims 24 and 25, drawn to a first process of preparing compounds of formula I, classified in various subclasses of classes 544, 546 and 548.
- III. Claims 26 and 27, drawn to a second process of preparing compounds of formula I, classified in various subclasses of classes 544, 546 and 548.

- IV. Claims 28 and 29, drawn to a third process of preparing compounds of formula I, classified in various subclasses of classes 544, 546 and 548.
- V. Claims 34-38, drawn to methods of use for the compounds of formula (I) classified in various subclasses of class 514.

In the Office Action, the Examiner states that a telephone call was made to request oral election to the restriction requirement but that the call did not result in an election being made. The Applicants respectfully note that an election of Group 1 and the species of Example 68 with traverse was made on February 25, 2005 in a phone call from the PTO to Frank Hoffmann (Reg. No. 26,468). In accordance with the current Examiner's request, the Applicants confirm that they elect Group I and the species of Example 68 with traverse since Groups II, III, and IV (process of making) appear to fall within the same class and subclasses as would be searched for Group I.

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Respectfully submitted,



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